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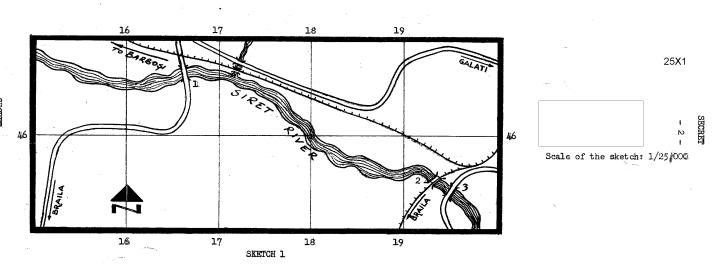
- 1. The construction of a new railway bridge over the Siret River between Galati and Braila was completed in the spring of 1951. The bridge has a single railroad track; it is located approximately five miles upstream from the point where the Siret flows into the Danube.
- 2. The bridge is of steel and has two concrete approaches. The central span is approximately 70 meters long and is approximately four meters above water level.
- 3. The bridge itself carries no pipelines, telephone lines, or other installations. There is, however, an underwater telephone cable with about 12 circuits which crosses the river approximately 25 meters west of the bridge. This cable feeds into terminal boxes located on poles on both banks of the river and from that point it is overhead and strung on poles toward Galati and Braila. Non-insulated copper wire is used.
- 4. Three sketches are attached:
 - a. Sketch 1 shows the position of the railway bridge over the Siret as well as the old bridge for vehicular traffic, located a short distance east of the railway bridge. This concrete bridge, heavily damaged during World War II was rebuilt in 1951. A new concrete bridge for vehicle traffic, built in 1945, is also shown.
 - b. Sketch 2 shows the railway bridge and the underwater passage of the telephone cable.
 - c. Sketch 3 shows a diagram of circuits starting and passing through the telephone central of the town of Galati. From these circuits, those going to Braila and Bucharest are in the underwater cable mentioned above.

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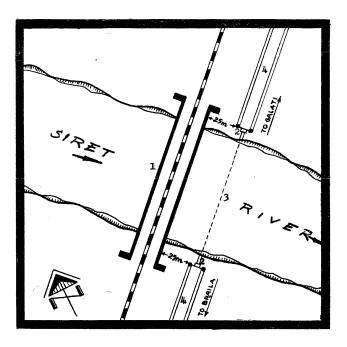


Showing the bridge over Siret. River between the towns of Galati and Braila

- New concrete bridge for vehicle traffic built in 1945
 Railway bridge
 Old concrete bridge for vehicle traffic

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SKETCH 2

Showing the location of the underwater telephone cable crossing the Siret. River near Galati.

Legend:

- 1. 2. 3. 4.
- Railway bridge Terminal boxes Underwater cable Telephone overhead lines

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